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Transmittal of Unemployment Statistics

1. In view of the critical unemployment situation in Western Germany (cf 24 January New York Times article and various HICOG cables), we thought that ORE might be interested in the attached detailed statistics on the spread of unemployment in Western Germany.

2. The number of unemployed is broken down into 28 main branches of occupation, sex, and Länder, and figures are included for the three-year span from January 1947 till December 1949. The final figures are somewhat outdated by the further increase in the number of unemployed during the first four weeks of January 1950.

3. The information was compiled by the Statistical Office of the Verwaltung für Wirtschaft and ~~has~~ the attached copy was given to us by Gamise.

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